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LIGHT-INDUCED SURFACE RELIEF )

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO-1449. Applicants submit that no fee is required for consideration of this information since, to the best of their knowledge, no Office Action has been mailed.

DE 10223648 was cited in an Office Action issued by the German Patent Office on December 6, 2006 in a corresponding German patent application. US 2003/0113664 is a counterpart of DE 10223648. EP552887 cited in the German Office Action is already of record in the present application, and therefore, not listed in this IDS. A copy of the German Office Action and DE 10223648 are enclosed for the Examiner's consideration. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached PTO Form 1449.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If it should be determined that the listed documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents. Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should any of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

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**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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	2003/0113664	Jun. 19, 2003	Berneth et al.			

**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

	Document Number	Date	Country	Class	Sub Class	Translation	
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	DE 101 23 648 A1	May 28, 2002	Germany				X

**OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)**


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